IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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First Named Inventor : Hiraku ISHIKAWA Filed : February 26, 2008

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Customer No. : 23911

Title : Plasma Film-Forming Apparatus and Plasma Film-

Forming Method

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the final Office Action dated April 21, 2009. An extension of the deadline for response to the Office Action is respectfully requested pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the appropriate fee is submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. No additional claims fees are due.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.